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Thousands of people made the trek to the Vancouver Art Gallery Sunday for the city's annual 4-20 celebration. April 20 marks a holiday for weed lovers, who gather annually to celebrate and consume cannabis. The tradition has been a part of Vancouver since 1995, when roughly 200 people attended the first 4-20 celebration at Victory Square. MATT DESOUZA/FOR METRO

Minister warned of LNG emissions

Greenhouse gases. Methane a particular concern for provincial environment staff

B.C. Environment Ministry staff have warned their minister that the province's dreamed-of liquefied natural gas industry poses some big challenges with greenhouse gas emissions.

Internal briefing notes prepared for Environment Minister Mary Polak since she took office last year, and obtained by The Canadian Press, single out methane emissions for concern.

On top of emissions from combustion and flaring of natural gas, methane and carbon dioxide escape during hydraulic fracturing process, or fracking, the documents said.

"Methane emissions are a particular concern since they have a global warming impact 21 times higher than carbon dioxide," said one July briefing note.

Quoted

"A small increase in the percentage of natural gas that escapes can have a significant impact on overall emissions."

July 2013 briefing note prepared for the environment minister

At a meeting last November, staff warned Polak that the federal government has updated its formula for calculating greenhouse gas emissions and that alone will increase methane values by 20 per cent. The province will need to follow suit, members of the Climate Action Secretariat told Polak.

Premier Christy Clark says B.C. is poised to develop a trillion-dollar LNG industry.

But emissions remain a hurdle for the province, which has legislated targets for reductions. Legislation dictates that emissions are to be reduced by at least a third below 2007 levels by 2020.

Polak has also been told that while B.C. estimates that 0.3 to three per cent of natural gas extracted is lost as fugitive methane emissions, other North American jurisdictions and scientific literature estimate that rate is seven to eight per cent.

However, in B.C. regulations are significantly different, the briefing notes pointed out. Because B.C. gas contains toxic hydrogen sulfide, leaks are more tightly regulated.

The province's Climate Action Secretariat and Natural Gas Development Ministry are working with the Canadian Association of Petroleum Producers to test technology to curb emissions, said the internal documents.

"Though significant, this work does not address concerns about potential fracking-related emissions from geological formations, poor cement casing or produced water-storage tanks," said the briefing prepared last July.

Polak declined a request for an interview.

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Park facilities

City moves forward with universal washroom signs

Don't call it the men's room or the ladies' room — just the washroom.

Vancouver park staff want the park board to move forward with recommendations to put universal signage for single stall washrooms and booths in change rooms.

The suggestion, and many others, stems from a report aiming to make community centres and park board facilities more inclusive for trans and gender-variant users.

The report was finalized this month after a year of consultation with members of the trans and gender-variant communities, frontline staff and volunteers.

It strives to ensure everyone has access to the same facilities while minimizing the anxiety, shame and even violence that can come with gender-segregated facilities.

It can be challenging for trans people to use spaces typically reserved for only men or women without being confronted by some who feel they don't belong based on their physical appearance, the report explains. The discrimination can be so bad that trans or gender-variant people sometimes stop using public facilities.

Some community centres, including Killarney and Hillcrest, already have universal spaces. The report recommends building these alongside gender-specific rooms as facilities get upgraded throughout the years.

EMILY JACKSON/METRO

Nerds and geeks make the pilgrimage to Fan Expo

A man gets made up as Darth Maul from Star Wars: Episode 1 — The Phantom Menace at the Vancouver Convention Centre during the final day of Fan Expo Vancouver on Sunday. The third annual event (which was expanded to three days this year) welcomed fans of science fiction, gaming and comic book culture. MATT DESOUZA/METRO

Amanda Todd case keeps law experts in a muddle

Complicated. Dutch authorities have arrested a suspect in the case, but one lawyer says extradition will be difficult

Authorities in British Columbia are anxious to bring a Netherlands resident to a Canadian courtroom on cyberbullying charges in a teen suicide case, but legal experts say it's unclear when or even if they might get the chance.

The suspect faces Canadian charges including child pornography, extortion, criminal harassment and Internet luring in the case of Amanda Todd. The 15-year-old killed herself in 2012 after posting a video online telling a story of being harassed relentlessly.

B.C.'s justice department said last week it will ask the federal government to request the extradition of the 35-year-old Dutch suspect, who also faces charges in the Netherlands in connection with an international investigation.

But legal experts are divided on the chances of extradition and all agree it will be a complicated process.

"An extradition request is biting smoke on this one," said Richard Kurland, a Vancouver immigration lawyer. "It's not a coin-toss — the coin's not coming out of the wallet to be tossed."

The province's application won't get off the ground unless Canada's Criminal Code is changed, Kurland said in an interview.

In order to extradite the suspect, Kurland said Canada must prove the Dutch resident is charged with an extra-territorial offence — a term referring to crimes outside of Canada involving Canadians.

The list of extra-territorial offences includes various crimes against humanity, bigamy, highjacking and terrorism.

It also includes sexual offences against children, but Kurland says the law is written in a way that allows Canada to prosecute Canadians who commit sexual offences abroad, but fails to bring foreigners to account.

It could be a huge hole in the law, Kurland said.

"I don't think this request from B.C. is going to get out of the Department of Justice's inbox." THE CANADIAN PRESS

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Abbotsford. Police ask for public's help after 'clearly troubling' fires

Abbotsford police are asking residents to stay alert after five suspicious fires were started within a 48-hour period.

The department initially reported it was investigating three fires that all happened in the early hours of April 16.

An abandoned home on Hillcrest Avenue, a mixed-use building on Marshall Road and a financial institution on Clearbrook Road were all damaged.

At the time, police called the proximity and time frame "clearly troubling."

Then, in the early hours of April 18, police were again called to investigate another pair of fires at an abandoned home on Hillcrest Avenue and the carport of a home on Adelaide Street.

A family of four and their neighbours had to be evacuated during the second fire as crews worked to contain the blaze.

Police are asking for anyone with information to come forward, and warning residents to report any suspicious activity. MATT KIELTYKA/METRO

Richmond

Man shot in car, drives to hospital

RCMP continue to investigate a shooting that sent one man to hospital in Richmond Friday night.

The man was sitting in a vehicle when he was shot in the Mcneely Drive area around 10:30 p.m., according to Richmond RCMP.

He was able to drive himself to the hospital. He remains in stable condition.

Few details are available, but the serious crimes unit is investigating.

Anyone with information is asked to call Crime Stoppers at 1-800-222-8477. EMILY JACKSON/METRO

'I would give anything to have our little Chloe back'

Chloe, a 10-month-old French bulldog, was stolen from The Fall Tattooing in downtown Vancouver Thursday evening. INSTAGRAM: SHAUGHNESSY

#bringhomechloe. Police investigating the caught-on-video theft of 10-month-old bulldog from tattoo parlour

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The owner of a 10-month-old French bulldog named Chloe still hopes her pup will be returned after the dog was stolen from under her eyes at a tattoo parlour on Thursday.

Vancouver police are investigating the alleged dognapping, which was captured on surveillance video later posted on Instagram.

Chloe's owner, Shaughnessy Keely, who works at The Fall Tattooing on Seymour Street, let a woman pet her dog while she was behind the counter around 6 p.m.

Security cameras captured the woman holding the dog and slowly walking toward the door before running out the exit. Staff members chased her, but were unable to catch her vehicle.

"I let her pet Chloe and she picked her up and ran out the door into a black car with no license plates and drove away," Keely posted on Instagram.

"I can't believe this happened and I would give anything to have our little Chloe back!"

The video has sparked thousands of reactions and re-posts from around the world in an effort to "#bringhomechloe."

This is the second time in less than a month surveillance cameras have apparently captured crimes at local tattoo parlours. A woman was violently attacked by a customer at Looks Wow Tattoo Parlour three weeks ago.

Anyone with any information is asked to call police at 604-717-3321.

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Sex offender accused in new SkyTrain case

New Westminster. Passenger reported a man behaving inappropriately toward girls at Columbia Station on April 13

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A convicted sex offender is scheduled to appear in court this week after being arrested in connection with an incident involving young girls on the SkyTrain.

Transit police say James William Conway, a 39-year-old Surrey man, was arrested April 13 after a passenger on the SkyTrain in New Westminster reported a man behaving inappropriately towards girls at Columbia Station.

The witness alleged the suspect was staring at girls, looking down the front of their shirts and attempting to engage them in conversation by producing a teddy bear.

Police were able to arrested Conway without incident.

He remains in custody as he awaits his next court appearance — for breach of release conditions — Wednesday at Surrey provincial court.

Transit police are asking any other witnesses of the incident to come forward.

The incident took place April 13 between Gateway Station in Surrey and Sapperton Station in New Westminster around 6:30 p.m.

At the time of his arrest, Conway — six-foot-four, 330 pounds with brown hair and blue eyes — was wearing a Surrey Fire Department baseball cap and a Surrey Fire Rescue golf shirt.

Up, up and away in Whistler

Canada's Alex Bellemare of Shawinigan, Que., flies over Whistler Village prior to the start of the men's Gibbons Life Big Air competition at the Telus World Ski and Snowboard Festival in Whistler on Saturday.
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Public schools

Teachers to start job action

Job action by British Columbia's 41,000 public-school teachers will begin on Wednesday, but the union's president says schools will remain open.

Jim Iker of the B.C. Teachers' Federation says the first stage of job action means teachers won't attend meetings with management, other than health and safety talks, or supervise students outside regular class hours.
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April 9 flight into EIA

Measles warning for passengers

Health officials in Edmonton are warning passengers who arrived in the city on a flight from Vancouver earlier this month that they may have been exposed to measles.

Air Canada Flight 248 departed at 8:30 p.m. on April 9 and arrived at 9:35 p.m. THE CANADIAN PRESS

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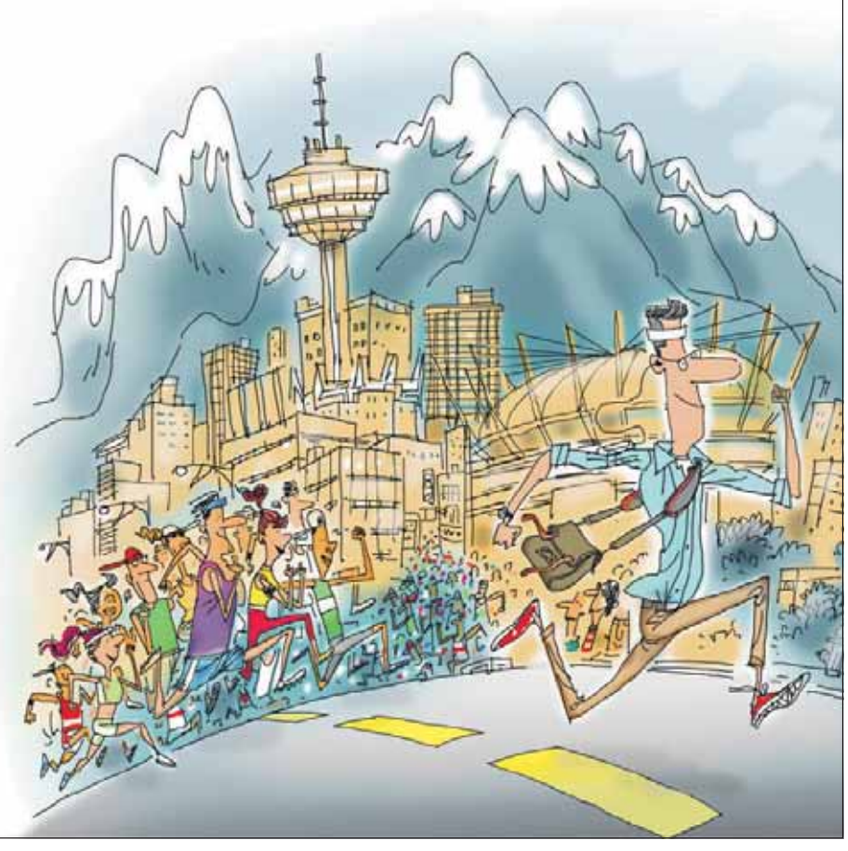

Space agency's new president outlines future goals for Canada

CSA. Walt Natynczyk says he wants to put another Canadian in the International Space Station

The head of the Canadian Space Agency, a former top general, insists his appointment as president last August does not signal the militarization of the federal department.

"I have to support the mandate that the Government of Canada has given the space agency and that is the peaceful use of space and it doesn't change whatsoever," Walt Natynczyk said. "We're very much in accordance with the Canadian Space Act, which is that the space agency is created for the peaceful uses of space."

Worth noting is that Canada now has Sapphire, a military satellite, in orbit and its mission is to support Canadian and international military operations.

Natynczyk took over as president on Aug. 6, 2013. He replaced former astronaut Steve MacLean.

He also indicated he is not jumping at the possibility of Canada taking part in a U.S. plan to send astronauts to visit an asteroid.

Natynczyk said one of his key areas of interest is to get another Canadian astronaut to visit the International Space Station.

CSA officials have said in the past that the next Canadian will travel to the orbiting space laboratory somewhere between 2016 and 2019.

Ron Holdway, a space consultant, says he's impressed with Natynczyk's performance eight months into the job.

Holdway said Natynczyk brings "an enormous skill to the space agency as a leader."

"Everything I see going on in Ottawa suggests the government has confidence in him so far," said Holdway.

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Walt Natynczyk, president of the Canadian Space Agency, speaks to the Montreal Council on International Relations. RYAN REMIORZ/THE CANADIAN PRESS

Pennsylvania

Miss America to the rescue

Miss America is asking a Pennsylvania school district to reconsider the punishment of a high school senior who asked her to be his prom date.

The York Dispatch newspaper reported Sunday that Nina Davuluri posted a statement on the Miss America Organization's Facebook page saying she contacted Central York High School to ask officials to rethink a suspension issued to 18-year-old Patrick Farves.

School officials say Farves was suspended for misbehaving. Davuluri says her travel schedule will prevent her from attending the dance with Farves.

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U.S. Navy

Research aims to fix sailors' sleep

The U.S. Navy has endorsed changes to submarine sailors' schedules based on research into sleep patterns by a military laboratory in Connecticut.

With no sunlight to tell day from night on a submarine, the Navy has staggered sailors' working hours on schedules with little resemblance to life above the ocean. But the scientists at the Naval Submarine Medical Research Laboratory concluded submarine sailors show less fatigue on a 24-hour schedule.

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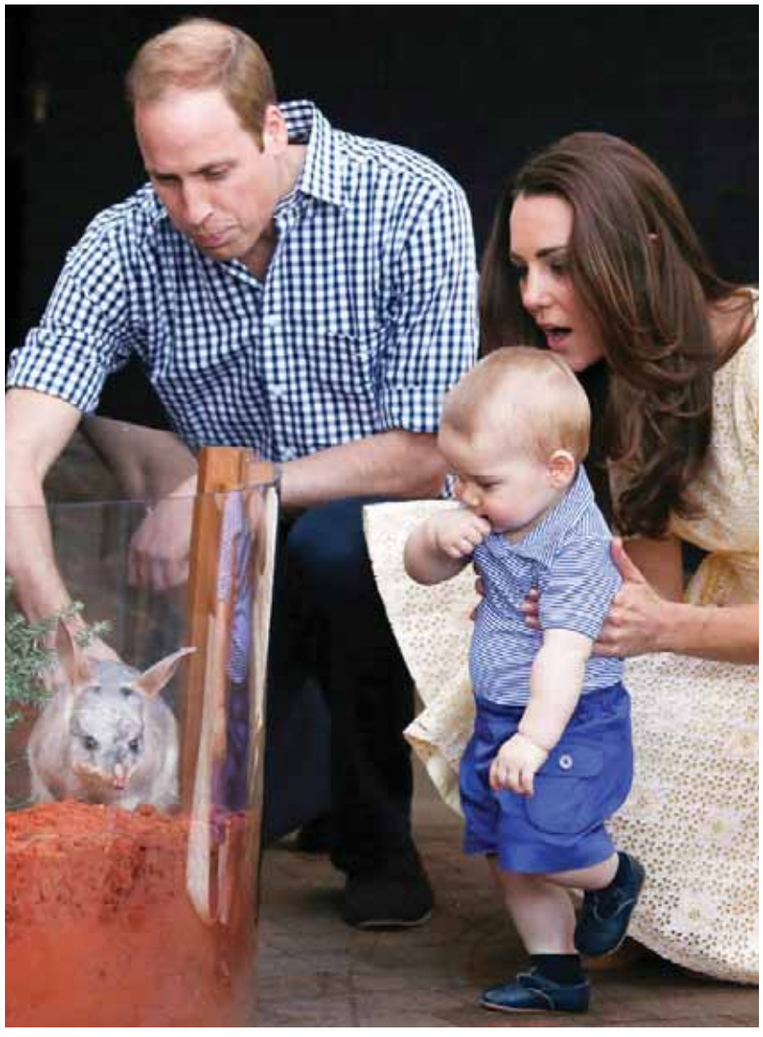

Prince George's newest Australian friend

Britain's Kate, the Duchess of Cambridge, and her husband Prince William watch as their son Prince George looks at an Australian animal called a bilby, which has been named after the young prince, during a visit to Sydney's Taronga Zoo in Australia on Sunday. Australian bilbies, an endangered species, are known by their long muzzles and very long ears. DAVID GRAY/THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

Science. New species of carnivorous sponges discovered in the Pacific

A close-up view of one of four new species of carnivorous sponges. HO- MBARI/THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

They look like fuzzy fingers, waving gently from the depths of the ocean floor, but make no mistake — they're stone cold killers.

Scientists have discovered four new species of carnivorous sponge off the Pacific Coast, including one deadly variety found hanging from the deep-sea ridges off southern Vancouver Island.

Fortunately, these killers are about the size of a piece of spaghetti and they feed only on the tiny, shrimp-like amphipods and copepods that drift through the sea.

"Sponges characteristically feed on small particles, like bacteria, little tiny guys," said Henry Reiswig, a retired professor of biology at McGill University.

These meat eaters have been described as the Venus fly traps of the deep sea, a "truly extraordinary species," wrote Lonny Lundsten, the lead author of an article published in the scientific journal Zootaxa.

Their meat-eating ways are believed to be an adaptation to the nutrient-poor environs of the deep sea.

So far, they've only been found in very deep water ranging from 600 to 3400 metres offshore. But we now know there are at least 11 species found in the northeast Pacific, Reiswig said. THE CANADIAN PRESS

Netherlands. Wildfire destroys national park

A large wildfire destroyed at least 1,300 acres in the Netherlands' Hoge Veluwe National Park on Sunday, one of the worst fires seen for decades, Dutch authorities said.

No injuries have been reported, according to Mayor Cees van der Knaap of the municipality of Ede, 65 kilometres east of Amsterdam.

Military helicopters and firefighters from surrounding provinces have been summoned to assist in combating the fire, which has been difficult to control because of strong winds.

The park is home to the Kroeller-Mueller Museum, which houses a major collection of Impressionist art and 20th-century sculpture. Around 2,000 visitors were instructed to leave the park after the fire broke out around midday, and the museum was closed.

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Confusion crippled evacuation of sinking ferry: Radio transcript

South Korea.
Anguished families vent rage over handling of crisis

The South Korean ferry that sank was crippled by confusion and indecision well after it began listing, a radio transcript released Sunday showed, suggesting the chaotic situation may have added to a death toll that could eventually exceed 300.

About 30 minutes after the Sewol began tilting, a crew member asked a marine traffic controller whether passengers would be rescued if they abandoned ship off South Korea's southern coast. The crew member posed the question three times in succession.

That followed several statements from the ship that people aboard could not move and another in which someone declared that it was "impossible to broadcast" instructions.

Many people followed the captain's initial order to stay below deck, where it is feared they remain trapped. Fifty-eight bodies have been recovered, and about 240 people are still missing.

The confirmed death toll jumped over the weekend after divers finally found a way inside the sunken vessel and quickly discovered more than a dozen bodies. They had been hampered for days by strong currents, bad weather and low visibility.

Families of the missing are staying on Jindo Island, where information sheets taped to the walls of a gymnasium offered details to help identify any corpses, including gender, height, length of hair and clothing.

Anguished families, fearful they might be left without even their loved ones' bodies, vented rage Sunday over the government's handling of the crisis.

A relative of a passenger who was on the sunken ferry Sewol looks toward the sea at a port in Jindo, south of Seoul, South Korea, Sunday. At least four dozen have been confirmed dead in the disaster. LEE JIN-MAN/THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

About 100 relatives attempted a long protest march to the presidential Blue House in Seoul, about 400 kilometres to the north, saying they wanted to voice their complaints to President Park Geun-hye. They walked for about six hours before police officers blocked a main road.

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Abandonment charges

4 more crew members arrested

A South Korean prosecutor says four more crew members from the sunken ferry have been detained on allegations of failing to protect passengers.

Senior prosecutor Ahn Sang-don told reporters Monday that two first mates, one second mate and a chief engineer are also accused of abandoning the ship.

The ferry's captain and two other crew members were previously arrested on suspicion of negligence and abandoning people in need.

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‘Hurricane’ Carter dies at 76

Wrongfully convicted of murder. Carter was immortalized in an iconic 1976 Bob Dylan song and a 1999 Norman Jewison film

Rubin “Hurricane” Carter, the former American boxer who became a tireless campaigner for the wrongfully convicted after spending almost 20 years in jail for a triple murder he denied committing, has died at his home in Toronto. He was 76.

His longtime friend and co-accused, John Artis, said Carter died in his sleep early Sunday morning after a lengthy battle with prostate cancer.

“It’s a big loss to those who are in institutions that have been wrongfully convicted,” said Artis.

“He dedicated the remainder of his life, once we were released from prison, to fighting for the cause of those who have been wrongfully convicted.”

Artis quit his job stateside and moved to Toronto to act as Carter’s caregiver after his friend was diagnosed with cancer nearly three years ago.

During the final few months, as Carter’s health took a turn for the worse, Artis said he had come to grips with the fact that he was dying.

“He tried to accomplish as much as he possibly could prior to his passing,” Artis said of the man who founded the Association in Defence of the Wrongly Convicted.

“He didn’t express very much about his legacy. That’ll be established for itself through the results of his work. That’s primarily what he was concerned about — his work,” Artis said. “He was a very selfless person.” Carter’s family, including two daughters, are all in the U.S.

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Rubin “Hurricane” Carter holds his fist up and smiles as he and Joyce Milgard enter the court building in Winnipeg in 2003 for a hearing. The former American boxer was imprisoned nearly 20 years for three murders before the convictions were overturned. He died at his home in Toronto at age 76 after a lengthy battle with prostate cancer. RUTH BONNEVILLE/THE CANADIAN PRESS

Long fight outside the ring

Carter was convicted along with his friend John Artis of murdering three people in a New Jersey bar in 1966.

- Their convictions were overturned in 1975, but both were found guilty a second time.
- After serving 19 years, Carter was freed in 1985 when a federal judge overturned the second convictions.
- When he was freed in 1985, a U.S. judge ruled that the prosecution had conducted “an appeal to racism rather than reason, concealment rather than disclosure.”
- Carter’s personal writings and photos are being donated to a Boston university.

Climbing on Everest halted; rescue work begins

Mother of Nepalese mountaineer Ang Kaji Sherpa, killed in an avalanche on Mount Everest, cries while she waits for his body at Sherpa Monastery in Katmandu, Nepal, Saturday. NIRANJAN SHRESTHA/THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

Nepal’s authorities temporarily halted climbing on Mount Everest while search teams dug through snow and ice Sunday for three Sherpa guides who are still missing in the deadliest avalanche on the world’s highest peak that killed 13 others.

A section of the route over the dreaded Khumbu Icefall, a climbing pass where the avalanche swept through a group of guides early Friday, has totally collapsed and a new trail has to be dug, ropes fixed and aluminum ladders laid over the crevasses before climbing can resume, said Ang Tshering of the Nepal Mountaineering Association.

Another group of Sherpas, who had already passed before the avalanche struck, were stranded on the other side and would only be able to get back to base camp once the new route is fixed, Tshering said.

Despite losing so many guides, there were no plans by expedition teams to abandon their attempt to climb the peak next month, he said.

Maddhu Sunan Burlakoti, head of the Nepalese government’s mountaineering department, said that the search for the missing three climbers resumed Sunday.

They were among 25 Sherpa guides hauling gear to the higher camps that their foreign clients would use to try to reach the summit next month. One of the survivors told his relatives that the path had been unstable just before the snow slide hit at an elevation near 5,800 metres.

The area is considered particularly dangerous due to its steep slope and deep crevasses that cut through the snow and ice covering the pass year round.

The Sherpa people are one of the main ethnic groups in Nepal’s alpine region, and many make their living as climbing guides on Everest. More than 4,000 climbers have summited Everest since 1953, when it was first conquered by New Zealander Edmund Hillary and Sherpa Tenzing Norgay. Hundreds have died trying.

The worst recorded disaster on Everest had been a fierce blizzard on May 11, 1996, that caused the deaths of eight climbers, including famed mountaineer Rob Hall.

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Searchers were nearby

As soon as the avalanche occurred, rescuers, guides and climbers rushed to help, and all other climbing was suspended.

- Hundreds of climbers and guides had been at Everest’s base camp preparing to climb the 8,850-metre peak next month.
- Earlier this year, Nepal announced several steps to better manage the heavy flow of climbers, including sending staff to the base camp for the entire climbing season.

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Investing regrets? I've had a few

HOW TO ROLL
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High on the list of life's regrets might be that margarita-inspired vacation tattoo you got with the name of a cabana boy or girl etched within it. Next comes investor regret.

Why didn't I buy Apple (AAPL-Q) five years ago at $135 US? It's around $515 now. And why am I still hanging on to Bombardier at a pitiful $4, 14 years after buying it for $26?

As U.S. market research firm Casey Research so aptly puts it: "The stock market is one giant roller-coaster of regret for retail investors. Regret for not getting in, regret for getting in too late, regret for being left holding the bag."

Not even the experts are immune. A survey by venturebeat.com discovered that 46 per cent of angel, or venture, capital investors rued the investments they made or didn't make in 2013.

Here is my regret list of stocks I should have bought five years ago.

1. Other tech. Sure, if you had bought Apple a decade ago at 12 bucks, your investment would be up a staggering 4,500-plus per cent. Missed that one. But I should also have paid attention to the tech service sector. It includes SanDisk (SNDK-N) and Salesforce.com (CRM-NYSE) — both up about 500 per cent.

2. Canadian Pacific (CP-T). I've long owned Canadian National and considered it superior to CP. However, since 2009, CP is up around 300 per cent compared to roughly 170 per cent for CN.

3. Tesla Motors, Inc. (TSLA-N). Between 2010 and early 2013, Tesla was one of those great ideas that never produced a gain for investors at $20 a share. Oh lordy, how things changed. It is now up nearly 800 per cent. Darn!

4. Rogers Sugar Inc. (RSI-T). It hasn't been on most investors' radars, including mine. But this sweet company has maintained a nice dividend (now 5.7 per cent) all through turbulent times and the stock price is up 60 per cent since the recession.

5. Russel Metals Inc. (RUS-T). I've thought about buying this stock for years — and should have. Though pummelled by the recession and in an industry that seemed to be dying (think Dofasco and Stelco), this steel company has survived with a stock growth of more than 150 per cent in five years. The fat dividend of 5.4 per cent is a nice bonus.

Consumer rights

Silly General Mills, the right to sue is for everyone

General Mills is scrapping a controversial plan to strip consumers of their right to sue the food company.

The company, which owns several brands including Trix and its Silly Rabbit mascot, had posted a notice on its website notifying visitors of a change to its legal terms — visitors using its websites or engaging with it online in a variety of other ways meant they would have to give up their right to sue.

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Americans in Paris have no amour for locks

A newlywed couple rest on the Pont des Arts in Paris on Wednesday. A recent fad among travellers of hitching padlocks on bridges and at tourist attractions worldwide to symbolically immortalize their amorous attraction has swept up this reputed City of Love more than most. Now, two American-born women who live in Paris say they've had enough, launching a petition to try to get mostly laissez-faire city officials to step in and do something about what they call an unbearable eyesore in a majestic municipality. REMY DE LA MAUVINIERE/THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

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URBAN COMPASS

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If a tree falls in your yard does anybody care?

That's not just a philosophical question. Now, especially if you're the reason the tree fell, you're in contravention of Vancouver's newly revised Protection of Trees bylaw which makes it illegal to cut down a tree even if it's on your own property.

So the answer is yes. The city cares.

Council is trying to put a stop to the decline in the urban tree canopy which has gone from 22 to 18 per cent since 1996. So while you may own your patch of dirt, you share your trees with city hall.

The only way you can remove that tree is under the supervision of an "independent arborist" (not your cousin?) who agrees with your assessment that the tree in question is a hazard or is diseased, dying or already deceased. In the immortal words of Monty Python: it's an ex-tree.

The city has determined that 23,000 healthy trees have been sacrificed to the whims of property owners and it's time to stop, in the name of climate change. That old juniper blocking the sunlight may be a nuisance, but it's really the final defense against global warming.

We could argue that the city and its densification policy could be an effective canopy reduction program on its own, but as this council has a Vision it is rarely hobbled by self-doubt.

So now, if you want to get rid of that tree, you better have a good excuse dreamed up for the arborist. "It blocks the sunlight/view/is messy/interferes with my landscape design" is not an excuse. I'm not sure what happens if you're allergic to the tree in question. You may have to have a panel discussion with your independent arborist, your physician and a bureaucrat from city hall, which sounds worse than the allergy.

There's another philosophical question. What is a tree? As opposed to a shrub? Does it have to be a certain height? Does it have to have a single trunk? Exposed bark? A leafy canopy?

Raked over the coals

One thing I know for sure is that Chief Tree Lord Gregor Robertson will not be available to rake your leaves next autumn, so don't even bother to make that call. It may not be your tree, but they're your leaves.

If you have a laurel hedge, is it a tree or a forest? If you trim a plant below a certain height, does it lose its status as a tree? Even if you're trimming, not chopping, are there rules?

One thing I know for sure is that Chief Tree Lord Gregor Robertson will not be available to rake your leaves next autumn, so don't even bother to make that call. It may not be your tree, but they're your leaves.

All this reminds me of that poem we learned in school: "Poems are made by fools like me, but only God can make a tree."

And only city hall can cut it down.

ZOOM

Picture playtime across the world

GABRIELE GALIMBERTI/INSTITUTE

World tour of our children's toys

Playtime is often a private matter, but one photographer has managed to enter and reveal the world of children's toys. Gabriele Galimberti, 36, spent over two years visiting 58 countries to photograph kids with their most prized possessions. His photos are featured in his new book Toy Stories. **THE ASSOCIATED PRESS**

Q and A

Similarities and differences

GABRIELE GALIMBERTI
Photographer, 36, from Arezzo, Italy

Did you discover anything new during the project?
I learned that the poorer the country, the less possessive the children were of their toys. It was easier to work with them and gain their trust. But, overall, I don't want to preach a lesson from my trips. My photographic series is simply about highlighting differences and similarities around our world.

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Safety irony

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Following last week's lesson in train safety from a selfie-taking fellow and an engineer's passing boot, we now have Connecticut Sen. Richard Blumenthal narrowly avoiding serious trouble while casually ignoring safety priorities as stated by a local mayor inches away.

Politicians certainly enjoy images of themselves riding public transit to polish populist credentials. But sitting comfortably on the subway surrounded by aide-enforced personal space doesn't quite reflect the average commute. Much like deciding to place your flimsy easel entirely within the yellow line doesn't suggest much previous experience with travel by rail.

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Can't Deny It — hip hop Director X hits the mark

Video maker. Learning to merge passion with the practical leads to influential style

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Music video maker Julien Christian Lutz is better known as Director X.

"I got Julien from my mom and dad," he writes on his website. X, he says, came from the streets.

One writer, however, suggests that the unusual name could stand for "Director X-tremely Good At Directing."

The in-demand Canadian-born helmer has worked with everyone from Jay-Z and Nicki Minaj to Rihanna and Drake. The key to his success, he says, is leading "an artist's life. You have to be as open as you can be to everything.

"You need to keep yourself inspired so you have to do whatever it is going to take to jog your creative brain, whether that be going to an art gallery or whatever."

Today, whether it is a music video or a commercial shoot—he's shot ads for Nintendo, Guinness and Burger King among many others — he's learned to listen to the customer.

Music video maker Director X's strong visual sense is his trademark. GETTY IMAGES

"Some people have the idea that the client is always wrong, and if they weren't here everything would be better, but I have come to find that the client has an instinct."

But he didn't always feel that way.

"You know everything when you're in your 20s, so you're passionate about how much you know and passionate about how wrong they are. It's definitely something that has to be learned. It would have been interesting if someone had come to me and explained that ahead of time, but I had to learn it like I had to learn it."

The busy filmmaker has gleaned many lessons along the way, but his life and work boil down to one simple statement: "I'm here to make art and express it."

An artist's life

"You have to be as open as you can be to everything."
Director X

Picture-in-a-picture look

His strong visual sense — he uses graphics and letterboxing in tricky and interesting ways — is his trademark, but X says his most influential video came about "from a bad edit the client didn't like. So I had to go in there and come up with something new."

- **To keep the people paying the bills happy he devised a picture-in-picture look for the Fabolous featuring Nate Dogg video Can't Deny It.**
- **"It was really kind of cool and got taken on by hip hop in general," he says.**
- **"It shook up the norm of what was happening in the genre. It became it's own thing. After that everyone did it. That was a really good moment where the ripples were felt from a piece of my work. I loved it. Imitation is the sincerest form of flattery. People inside the game know where it comes from so any time someone copies you it flows back to you."**

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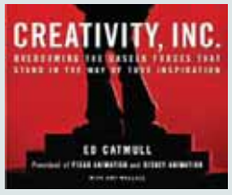

Creativity, Inc.

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How Pixar learned from its private mishaps to earn a reputation for perfection is a fascinating journey recounted here by co-founder Ed Catmull. He puts you into their discussions and it's thrilling. An added section shares valuable lessons such as, "It's not the manager's job to prevent risks, it's the manager's job to make it safe for others to take them."

Literature

Author Alistair MacLeod dies at 77

Alistair MacLeod, the Prairie-born author who won one of the most lucrative literary prizes for his only novel, No Great Mischief, has died. MacLeod, known for his short stories, moved with his family to Cape Breton at age 10. It was there the images and themes that informed his work took hold. MacLeod had been in a Windsor, Ont., hospital since suffering a stroke in January. THE CANADIAN PRESS

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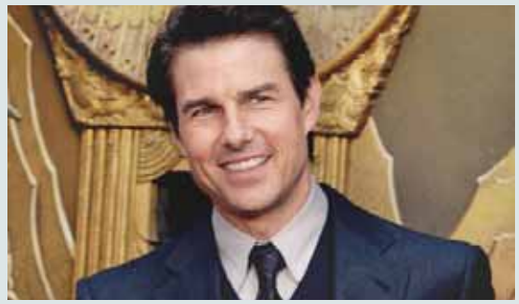

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Has Tom Cruise finally found happiness by dating within his own faith?

Mission: Impossible star Cruise is said to be dating Laura Prepon, star of Orange is the New Black. Unlike his ex-wives, Prepon is also a Scientologist. According to Page Six, the set of OITNB is abuzz with the news that the two are courting.

Grazia reported last fall that Cruise had picked Prepon up in a vintage car for a romantic dinner at the Manor Hotel. At the time, Cruise's publicist said it wasn't true, but according to Page Six, the pair have continued dating quietly while trying to keep the relationship out of the press.

Call me a foolish romantic, but I find it genuinely touching that Tom Cruise would try to keep his relationship with a woman out of the press. Maybe he's found true love at last. Just imagine the romance that they could have. Long midnight audits, evenings on the Scientology yacht, double dates with David and Shelly Miscavige, wherever she is… However, Cruise's rep continues to deny the relationship.

"They see each other at some functions, but they are not dating," a source told Us Weekly.

Robin Williams

Robin Williams ready to don Doubtfire drag again

Finally, Hollywood is making your dreams come true. No, nerds, they're not bringing back Firefly — they're finally making that Mrs. Doubtfire sequel you've been clamouring for all these years, according to Variety.

What? You haven't been clamouring for that? Well, you're getting it anyway. The original film, which starred Robin Williams as a manipulative sociopath who lied compulsively to his children and ex-wife and tried to poison her new boyfriend, was for some reason marketed as a family comedy instead of the creepy thriller it obviously was.

And it's hard to see how the sequel's team will find an excuse to get Robin Williams back in drag. In the original film he donned his middle-aged Scottish lady persona to spend time with his kids, but since it came out in 1993, his kids would presumably be well past the age when they'd need a nanny. The youngest was played by Mara Wilson, who is now a 26-year-old writer and semi-retired from acting. Maybe Williams will don the wig to spend time with his grandkids.

Whoopi is high on her new friendship with 'Sippy'

Oscar-winning actress, comedienne and talk-show host Whoopi Goldberg sang the praises of marijuana inhaled through a pocket vaporizer as she made her debut as an online pot columnist. "The vape pen has changed my life. No, I'm not exaggerating. In fact, her name is Sippy." wrote Goldberg, 58, about her pocket vaporizer on The Cannabist, a pot-friendly website run by the Denver Post newspaper in Colorado. The Rocky Mountain state was the second in the U.S., after Washington in the Pacific Northwest, to legalize marijuana for recreational use. But Goldberg opted to focus on how pot, inhaled through Sippy, has helped her cope with massive headaches induced by glaucoma, an eye disorder that affects more than three million Americans and can potentially lead to blindness. "It helps my head stop hurting, and with glaucoma your eyes ache, and she takes the ache out. It's wonderful," she said. "The high is different, too. It feels like a gentle, warm breeze at the beach."

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Make this Buy Nothing Monday

End entitlement. Few of us spoiled Canadians can distinguish wants from true needs

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Hold up! Do you really need that massive flat screen TV? ISTOCK

When I ask people why they buy stuff, they tell me it's because they need it, whatever 'it' is. That's hardly ever true. Folks don't *need* most of the stuff they buy. They want it.

It's very easy to confuse needs with wants. You work hard and deserve nice things, right? Whether you're thinking about buying a big-ticket item (We need a vacation) or smaller, impulse purchases (I need a super-duper latte), your sense of entitlement can muddy the waters when it comes to what you want and what you really need.

I did a workshop last fall and my daughter Alex was along to help. A middle-aged woman couldn't get her budget to balance and Alex pointed to her $200 a month cigarette habit. The woman said it was a need. Alex shook her head. "A need is something you must have to stay alive," she said. Seriously, if you can't balance your budget, what are you doing feeding your vices? People who are raised in a First World country like Canada may have a sense of entitlement simply because they have no idea how lucky they are. If you've never been hungry, never wondered where you would sleep, never had to go without shoes, then your sense of what is your due by rights may be askew.

If every winter your family went on vacation to a warmer clime, if every summer you went to camp, if each fall you started the new school year with a fresh wardrobe, why would you think you were entitled to any less as an adult?

This is a particular problem for people who were brought up in homes where they benefitted from a higher income than they currently enjoy. Even if you haven't got the income to support it, you have no idea why you can't have everything you want when you want it. That's entitlement!

People who watch a lot of TV, read flashy magazines and walk the malls have a sense of entitlement because they believe that everyone else has one, so they can have one, too.

But here's the rub: A lot of those people are going into debt to have the lifestyle you crave, so what you're craving isn't real. It's smoke and mirrors. Playing the keeping-up-with-the-Joneses game is stupid at the best of times, but it's suicidal if you're doing it on credit.

If watching all that house porn is making you think you're perfectly lovely home needs to be renovated, turn off the TV. You won't die without granite countertops and a stainless steel fridge. And if hanging out with friends who are always going shopping is busting your budget, you're going to have to find some new friends if you're determined to live a real life.

If you don't believe me when I say that the culture is influencing our sense of entitlement, just look at the sizes of the houses we're living in now, compared to 50 or 60 years ago. Back then people were having more kids, but living in houses far smaller than we're willing to settle for today. Unfortunately, as our expectations have gone up, our ability to pay for them has been seriously challenged. While we like to castigate the younger generation for their rampant sense of entitlement, it's not just a problem of youth and immaturity. Because we live in a society where public education is primarily free, we believe our children are so entitled to an education that they, and we, have to do very little for it. We feel entitled to a level of medical care for which we have very little appreciation. If we had to pay for our care, we might take our own health more seriously. So it's not just our young 'uns who feel entitled.

Have we become so addicted to having (instead of being) that we are no longer able to distinguish between needs and wants? Is acquisition of more stuff our new life's blood?

Here's a challenge. It's based on the concept of "buy nothing day," but is much more practical, personal and pointed. Pick one day of the week on which you will buy nothing. It doesn't really matter which day it is. Just pick a day and commit to buying nothing on that day. Buy Nothing Monday should be dead easy. Buy Nothing Saturday is for those who are more committed to testing themselves.

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Unexpected tax bills, and getting a break for helping with housing

Q I worked two jobs last year and now I owe money. I don't have the money to pay it. What should I do?

A Unexpected tax bills are never a good thing. Employers only withhold tax based on what you earn with them – not income earned somewhere else. File your return by April 30 without the payment to avoid the 5% late-filing penalty and you will only have to worry about interest charges. Then contact the CRA and ask if you can arrange a payment schedule. The agency may agree to one if you have tried all other reasonable ways to get the funds including getting a loan. But they will require full disclosure of income, living expenses, assets and liabilities. It is always better to contact the CRA first rather than waiting to hear from them.

Q I rent rooms to youth who need help so there is no profit. Do I need to report this income?

A Fortunately, your good deed does not attract extra tax. If you are charging less than Fair Market Value for the rooms, you do not have to report the income on your tax return. However, you cannot claim any rental expenses since you would not have rental income to claim it against.

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Money 101. Two couples, one year to make them richer

Well on the way to debt-free goals

I am working to improve the finances of two Canadian couples in 2014. Together, we are creating a plan for each to make serious progress on handling their finances and achieve their respective goals of becoming debt-free and owning a home. Follow along to take a peek inside their bank accounts. – Lesley-Anne Scorgie/For Metro

Anne-Marie and Peter inch closer to the birth of their first child. SHUTTERSTOCK

Carolina and Jose have set out on a journey to buy their first home. SHUTTERSTOCK

Anne-Marie and Peter

LESLEY-ANNE SCORGIE
For Metro

I had the pleasure of sitting down with Anne-Marie and Peter in late March. The couple shared their joy and excitement with me as they inch closer to the birth of their first child.

Over the month, they have steadily reduced their debt while proactively planning for the reduction in Anne-Marie's income once she is on maternity leave.

We discussed the importance of having a will that clearly indicates their custody and childcare preferences, and what should happen to their liabilities and assets in the event of disease or death.

Though no one likes to think about these horrible life catastrophes, it's irresponsible not to. The alternative is to have the courts dictate what happens to your children, possessions and liabilities.

On a more exciting note, after seven years with the same company, Peter is considering the possibility of a new, higher-paying and a job closer to home. He currently commutes a total of three hours per day, and knows working in the city would result in at least a 15 per cent pay hike and a shorter commute.

Anne-Marie and Peter also presented me with their detailed RRSP statements so we could review their investments. Currently, they are invested in a low-risk preferred share mutual fund that was established in 2013 and has limited performance history. This month, I will be showing the couple how to adequately research their investment selections and develop specific questions to ask their banker prior to making any changes to their portfolios.

Homework

The couple filed their taxes. Together, they received a return of $2,065. Anne-Marie and Peter decided to split up their return as follows:

- Debt repayment: $865
- Tax-free savings account to start an emergency fund: $500 (they will continue to contribute $100 each month after)
- Make a will: $500
- Treat themselves to something fun: $200

Anne-Marie and Peter's homework for next month is to find a lawyer and establish a will. They will learn to research investments. Peter is also looking for some freelance work.

THE NAMES OF BOTH COUPLES HAVE BEEN CHANGED TO PROTECT THEIR PRIVACY.

Anne-Marie and Peter recap

- Location: Toronto
- Ages: 36 and 33
- Occupations: Broadcasting and sports editing
- Total household income: $110,000
- Life stage: Expecting their first child in June
- Financial savvy: Medium — they use budgets to help guide spending, have some retirement savings, and are committed to paying off debt
- Top goals for 2014: Pay off debt, start a savings program for child's education and down payment on first home
- Homework from last month: Open tax-free savings accounts for emergency funds and file taxes

Carolina and Jose

This past month has been an emotional and financial roller-coaster for Carolina and Jose.

You will recall their big news from last month — Jose's parents offered to provide the couple with a down payment to finally buy a home.

Carolina and Jose set out on the first-time homebuyers' journey with a trusted realtor and mortgage broker by their side. With their down payment, the value of home they can afford is approximately $250,000; in Calgary, that places them in the suburban townhouse market.

They have started house hunting and two shocking issues have emerged.

First, what they can afford to buy isn't nearly as nice as Carolina had hoped, so I have been exploring affordable ways the couple could spruce up their future home while ultimately adding value to the property, including paint, fixtures, flooring, cabinet knobs and more.

The second shock is the townhome market is hot. Two weeks ago they put an offer on a place, but a competing higher offer quickly bumped them out of the competition.

Unfortunately, the joys of first-time homebuying have been somewhat overshadowed by Carolina and Jose's financial constraints. But they are committed to their search for a great home and know they will find one soon.

Transitioning to a positive note, the couple continues to operate on the monthly budget they established in January.

As planned, they are now out of the red and have money left over after each paycheque to put towards their savings. Armed with detailed financials on what their eventual mortgage will look like, they have proactively prepared a mock budget for when they ultimately become homeowners.

Jose also continues to explore job opportunities, including staying with his employer, but securing a significant raise.

This month, the couple will focus on continuing their search for a home, file their taxes through a local tax professional, and create a plan for their expected tax return.

Homework

Caroline and Jose will house hunt, file taxes and plan for their expected tax return.

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Carolina and Jose recap

- Location: Calgary
- Ages: 33 and 31
- Occupations: Stay-at-home mom and roofing
- Total household income: $55,000
- Life stage: Three daughters aged five, two and eight months
- Financial savvy: Medium to low — they established a budget, are frugal spenders, have no retirement savings, and are committed to paying off debt
- Top goals for 2014: Pay off debt, buy a house
- Homework from last month: File taxes and look for a home

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Take a chance on a career that could

Startup your engines. How to get noticed by a business that could soon go boom

ANDREA PARK
Metro World News

They may not need you at this very moment, but if you make sure you're remembered fondly, a future with the company is quite possible. ISTOCK

Everybody wants to be the next Mark Zuckerberg, and young job seekers are skipping big box corporations in lieu of hip, successful startups. Uncubed, produced by Wakefield Media, aims to streamline that process and make it fun.

The company just launched a job search function on its site and holds fun events to connect job seekers with the startup world's hottest companies, like Mashable, BuzzFeed and Seamless. Don't call it a career fair, though: These casual events feature puppies, dunk tanks and cold beers.

We talked to Wakefield co-founder Tarek Pertew and asked him for his top five tips on landing your dream job at a startup.

Do your homework

Want to make a good first impression? Then do your research so you know how to talk shop. "Make sure you know what they're hiring for and what they're working on so when you approach them, you're fully equipped with that information," says Pertew. Pertew says there's one question that turns him off pretty quickly as an employer: "'What does Wakefield do?' That's a red flag," he says. "You should do your homework if you're serious about working at a company."

Think outside the box

It's hard to stand out on a day when employers are meeting masses of jobseekers, but turning something into a conversation piece can make all the difference. "It can even be a business card — yours might have something a little different that extends the conversation or engages," says Pertew.

"It's the same with a resumé. If you have something different, it's a superficial way of separating yourself from the crowd." Of course, you'll have to match style with substance. Pertew says the most important thing is to do your research on companies and show that you can fit in with their work culture.

No openings? Try anyway

Never skip out on meeting someone from your dream company just because they haven't posted openings. If you really impress an employer, they may just create a job for you.

"One thing we hear a lot is, 'I really like this person and we're going to see if we can find an opportunity for him or her,'" says Pertew. "It goes back to culture. They met a guy they really loved, so they're going to see where they can fit him."

Pitch ideas

Don't give unsolicited criticism, but offer up some cool ideas to your favourite companies.

"One of my favourite things is when someone gives us a laundry list of ideas they think we can use," says Pertew. "It gives you something to talk about during an interview, also." Listing good ideas helps you express enthusiasm for the company and also shows potential employers your creative and critical thinking skills.

Just be careful how you word things: "The best way is maybe saying, 'You probably already thought of this, but have you ever thought of doing this?'"

Pertew says even if the company has already thought of the idea, you're validating it, and if they haven't, you just may impress them with what you have to say.

Be patient

Your dream employer may not be in a position to offer you a job now, but they may be able to fit you in somewhere down the line.

- "Patience is absolutely a virtue," says Pertew. "A number of companies might say, 'You're cool, analytical and bright — we might have a position for you in a year.' Keep networking and keep showing up. Develop a skill set they need." Pertew says it's never a bad idea to spend a couple of years developing a specialized skill (he used user experience design as an example) in order to have a more appealing resumé. "It's that sacrifice you make early on that will make a positive impact on the remainder of your life," he says.

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FLASH FOOD

From your fridge to your table in 30 minutes or less

This Falafel with Tahini Lemon Dressing recipe serves eight. Half of one pita with two falafels and one tablespoon of dressing is 269 calories. ROSE REISMAN

Middle Eastern cuisine is known for its falafels — chickpea-based deep-fried balls served with tahini sauce. They have become a North American favourite in restaurants, fast food spots and food trucks.

My version is baked, cutting the calories in half and removing most of the fat from the oil used in deep frying. The flavour is enhanced with my light lemony and creamy tahini dressing. Load up your pita with loads of lettuce, tomatoes and onions and you have a nutritious vegetarian meal.

You'll have a few tablespoons of leftover dressing; store it in the refrigerator and use it as a salad dressing or sauce over chicken or fish.

Tahini is similar to any nut butter made from puréed sesame seeds. It has a very strong flavour, so be sure not to use more than required. You will find it in the ethnic section of your supermarket.

Ingredients

Falafels
- One 19 oz can chickpeas, drained and rinsed
- 1/4 cup chopped green onion
- 1/4 cup chopped fresh cilantro or parsley
- 1/4 cup unseasoned dry bread crumbs
- 2 tbsp tahini
- 1 tbsp fresh lemon juice
- 1 1/2 tsp minced fresh garlic
- 1/4 tsp baking powder
- 1/4 tsp ground cumin
- 1 egg
- Pinch of ground black pepper
- 2/3 cup Tahini Lemon dressing

Tahini-Lemon Dressing
- 1/3 cup low-sodium chicken
- 1/3 cup reduced-fat ricotta cheese
- 2 tbsp tahini
- 2 tbsp reduced-fat mayo
- 2 tbsp olive oil
- 1 tbsp fresh lemon juice
- 1 tbsp low-sodium soy sauce
- 1 tsp minced fresh garlic
- 1/2 cup chopped fresh cilantro or parsley

- 4 large pitas, sliced in half
- 8 tomato slices and 4 chopped romaine lettuce leaves
- 1/2 cup diced sweet onion

Directions

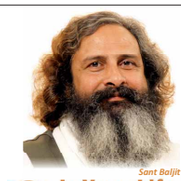
1. Falafels: Preheat oven to 400 F. Spray a baking sheet with cooking oil.

2. Combine chickpeas, onion, cilantro, bread crumbs, tahini, lemon juice, garlic, baking powder, cumin, egg and pepper in a food processor. Pulse on and off until well mixed. Form into 16 balls (about 2 tbsp each). Flatten slightly and place on the prepared baking sheet.

3. Bake the falafels in the centre of the oven, turning once, for 20 minutes or until golden.

4. Meanwhile, combine Tahini-Lemon Dressing ingredients in food processor and purée until smooth.

5. Meanwhile, wrap pitas in foil and heat in oven for 5 minutes. Place two falafels in pocket of each pita half. Drizzle about 2 tbsp of dressing over each. Tuck tomato slices and lettuce inside each pita and sprinkle with onions. **THE BEST OF ROSE REISMAN (WHITECAP BOOKS)**



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Habs keep Lightning bolted to the ground

Canadiens' goalie Carey Price makes a save on the Lightning's J.T. Brown as Canadiens forward David Desharnais defends during Game 3 of their first-round playoff series in Montreal, Sunday. The Habs moved one win away from advancing to the second round with a 3-2 victory. Montreal leads the best-of-seven series 3-0 and can sweep the Lightning with a win Tuesday night at the Bell Centre. Also on Sunday, the Flyers defeated the Rangers 4-2 and the Bruins beat the Red Wings 4-1. Both of those series are tied 1-1. For more NHL playoff coverage, go to metronews.ca.

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Manneh sparks comeback draw

MLS. Whitecaps substitute makes case for more playing time with goal vs. Galaxy

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At first glance, Kekuta Manneh doesn't appear anything like a beast. The thing about looks, though, is they can be deceiving.

The 19-year-old speed demon with the soccer skills to match has on numerous occasions been able to completely alter the complexion of a match for the Vancouver Whitecaps, who selected Manneh fourth overall in the 2013 MLS SuperDraft.

Manneh was at it again Saturday against the L.A. Galaxy, coming off the bench for the sixth time in seven regular-season contests.

His rocket right foot produced a perfect shot to the bottom left corner of the Galaxy net in the 86th minute to level the score at 2-2 and help the Whitecaps achieve a comeback draw in front of a capacity crowd of 21,000 fans at BC Place Stadium.

Manneh entered the match to start the second half, replacing midfielder Russell Teibert as the Whitecaps looked to go on the offensive, down a goal.

The unsuspecting beast — the "young'n" is what head coach Carl Robinson referred to him as — was unleashed.

Robinson said he "toyed" with the decision to possibly start Manneh, which he did against L.A. in the first game of this home-and-home set.

It's certainly grounds for good debate: Why has a game-changer like Manneh been kept to one start this season?

"If I played him every single minute of every game from the start of the season, in July you probably wouldn't see him. That's not what I want," said Robinson.

"It's important we manage him correctly."

NBA playoffs

Mavs fire blanks late in loss to Spurs

Tim Duncan scored 27 points, and the San Antonio Spurs held the Dallas Mavericks to one field goal in the final seven minutes to rally for a 90-85 victory Sunday in Game 1 of their first-round playoff series.

The Mavericks also went scoreless for 5 1/2 minutes during that stretch, their lone field goal coming as time expired.

Tony Parker had 21 points, and Manu Ginobili added 17. Top-seeded San Antonio has won 10 straight against Dallas.

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NBA playoffs

ESPN blamed for shot clock flub

The day after the Toronto Raptors were mocked for a much-maligned shot clock malfunction, a team official confirmed that an ESPN technician plugged into the same power source for the shot clocks, frying the power system.

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Horoscopes

♈ Aries
March 21 - April 20
Major planets are at odds as the new week begins and you too will find it hard to get along with certain people. The important thing is that you don't take any of it too seriously because it will pass.

♉ Taurus
April 21 - May 21
You will encounter more than one person today who you can't stand. The best way of dealing with such people is to pretend they don't exist.

♊ Gemini
May 22 - June 21
The way you treat people now will determine how people treat you later on, so resist the urge to say or do anything that might turn them against you.

♋ Cancer
June 22 - July 23
If you don't like what is going on around you, turn your back and walk away. Others may complain that you are abandoning responsibilities but your biggest responsibility is, was and always will be to your own peace of mind.

♌ Leo
July 24 - Aug. 23
As Uranus, planet of changes, squares up to Pluto, planet of power, over the next 24 hours you will understand why it is wrong to try to force people to do things against their will, even in a good cause.

♍ Virgo
Aug. 24 - Sept. 23
There is a chance you will fall out with someone in a position of authority today, and it could be messy. If it's not possible to stay out of their way promise, yourself that you won't react when they say something stupid.

♎ Libra
Sept. 24 - Oct. 23
Today you will wade in where angels fear to tread and put the world right. Or maybe you'll make it even worse than before — but you will make an impression.

♏ Scorpio
Oct. 24 - Nov. 22
You won't hesitate to hit back if someone does you wrong today but the problem is you may hit back at the wrong person. Think before you act and, if you do make a mistake, apologize profusely.

♐ Sagittarius
Nov. 23 - Dec. 21
You are entitled to your opinions but you're not entitled to expect that others will agree. So long as you're OK with that, nothing much will go wrong. But if you can't accept alternative viewpoints, it could be a difficult day.

♑ Capricorn
Dec. 22 - Jan. 20
If you've learned anything in recent months, it must be that throwing tantrums rarely, if ever, changes anything for the better. The best way to resolve differences is to charm.

♒ Aquarius
Jan. 21 - Feb. 19
You may not be in the mood to make allowances for those who think and act more slowly than you but the planets warn you don't have a choice. Under no circumstances clash with authority figures.

♓ Pisces
Feb. 20 - March 20
Decide what you want to do today then do it. You'll get a dirty looks from those who disagree with your aims but there's nothing they can do to stop you. SALLY BROMPTON

Crossword: Canada Across and Down

See today's answers at metronews.ca/answers.

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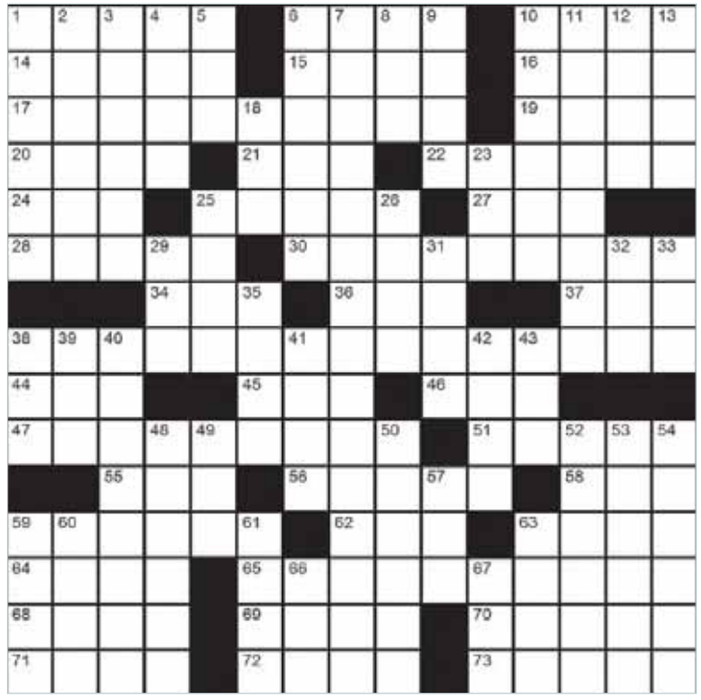
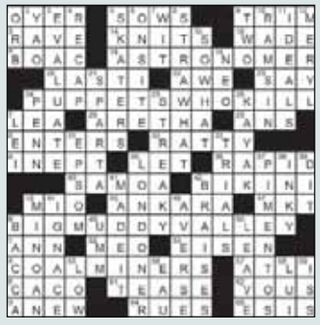


Across
1. __ paper
6. Particular
10. German composer of the cantata "Carmina Burana": Carl __ (b.1895 - d.1982)
14. That locale
15. Used a loom
16. 1722 Daniel Defoe book, __ Flanders
17. The Band song: 3 wds.
19. Biblical birthright seller
20. Mr. Onassis, et al.
21. Rock producer Brian
22. Album for Canadian musician Sam Roberts: 'We Were Born in __'
24. "__ Hot" by Alanis
25. Manfred __ Earth Band
27. An elver is a young what?
28. Bother
30. Lululemon __ (Canadian yoga-wear company)
34. Former
36. Quebec 'yes'
37. Dorval denial
38. Canuck working woofer: 2 wds.
44. "Pulp Fiction" (1994) name
45. Ruckus
46. Farm sound
47. Montreal's man-made island: Ile __-__
51. Condescend
55. "I'm afraid!"
56. Slays
58. Philosopher, __-tzu
59. Pupil coverer
62. Scot's 'no'
63. Social __
64. __ meridiem = a.m.
65. Manitoba: __ Provincial Park
68. Bulk-carrying barge
69. "_, __ is me!" (Alas!)
70. Wedding ceremony 'lane'
71. Barn birds
72. Eva Green's role in "Casino Royale" (2006), Vesper __
73. Go in

Down
1. Layers combed for fossils
2. River Styx ferryman
3. Area
4. Fortifies
5. __ coat
6. "All ___ Do" by Sheryl Crow
7. What the 'TD' of TD Canada Trust stands for
8. Ms. Longoria
9. Huge, hip-style
10. Folded-over frying pan serving
11. Village in central Alberta
12. Falsehood
13. Fireplace part
18. "Oh, give __ __ home where the buffalo roam..."
23. Charge
25. Coldplay album: '__ Xyloto'
26. Synagogue
29. "Yeow!", in a comic book
31. Mr. Neeson
32. Dove's sound
33. Director Mr. Lee
35. Couplet
38. Convent person
39. Mr. Philips of stand-up
40. __ Lakes National Park, in southwestern Alberta
41. Fargo, _. __.
42. Positive gestures
43. Jane or John
48. Keeps fresh, as wedding vows
49. Supplement
50. Jubilant
52. Most unwell
53. Charles de __ Airport, in France
54. More knightly
57. Kathie __ Gifford
59. Fives and Tens
60. Enough, for some
61. Missing from service, commonly
63. Goatee's site
66. Major travel rte.
67. Freelancer's encl. to an editor

Thursday's Crossword



Sudoku

How to play
Fill in the grid, so that every row, every column and every 3x3 box contains the digits 1-9. There is no math involved.

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	8	7						3
1			4					
9	2				1			
	1	3				2	4	
			2				3	6
					9			4
6						3	5	
4			6		2	8	9	

Thursday's Sudoku

4	5	2	3	8	7	9	1	6
7	1	3	6	5	9	2	4	8
8	6	9	4	2	1	5	3	7
3	4	5	7	6	2	8	9	1
1	2	7	8	9	3	6	5	4
9	8	6	1	4	5	7	2	3
6	9	1	5	3	8	4	7	2
5	3	8	2	7	4	1	6	9
2	7	4	9	1	6	3	8	5

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